STATEMENT OF COMMISSIONER JESSICA ROSENWORCEL

Re: Leased Commercial Access, MB Docket No. 07-42; Modernization of Media Regulation Initiative, MB Docket No. 17-105

It is rare that we get the opportunity to wipe the slate clean and start anew. But the FCC is doing just that with its leased access cable rules. With this rulemaking we begin the process of cleaning up a decade-old court decision that previously covered our leased access policies. We ask questions about the status of the leased access market, the way requests come in, and how new and diverse voices now seek "airtime."

As we proceed we must be mindful of our statutory responsibility to "promote competition in the delivery of diverse sources of video programming and to assure that the widest possible diversity of information sources are made available to the public." I look forward to the record that develops. This rulemaking has my full support.